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CUT GLASS.

We have just received an invoice of the very latest designs in fine CUT GLASS.

The new frosted cutting is really the most artistic product of the kind that we have ever had the good fortune to secure. We have it in a variety of articles and will be pleased to show them to our patrons. Nothing else could make a finer Xmas present.

Henry C. Schultz, Jeweler.

Register Hiskey.

John Thomas, the Register of the U. S. Land Office at Colby, having resigned to go to Idaho in business, Tom Hiskey, the efficient clerk in the office has been promoted to the office of Register, to hold until the office is moved to Topeka in February. He, having been connected with the office many years, thoroughly understands the work. The appointment is a good one and his work at Topeka will be equally as good.

The Oakley Graphic says:—

"Frank Zeigler, Dead."

Benjamin Franklin Zeigler was born October 7, 1865 in Decatur Co., Indiana, died Dec. 8, 1908, being at the time of his death 43 years, 2 months and 1 day, old. He was married to Miss Mollie Kurfuss at Hays City Kansas, Nov. 11, 1890. To this union were born three children, two daughters and one son. Benjamin came west with his parents in 1870, settling in western Kansas where he has spent his life. He was taken sick about six weeks ago and was moved to Oakley for medical treatment, at which place he died. All was done for him that could be done and he quietly passed away.

The funeral services were conducted from the M. E. church by Rev. E. E. Gunkle, Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m. after which the body was laid to rest in the Oakley cemetery. The friends and relatives have the sympathy of the whole community in this time of trouble.

Directors Elected, U. S. Cement Co.

At the annual meeting on Wednesday last of over fifty of the stockholders, held at the cement plant at Yocemento, the old officers were re-elected and all of the same directors except that S. W. Crocker of Denver takes the place of Mr. Porter. So during 1909 I. M. Yost will be president, S. S. Kramer vice president, Prof. Haworth secretary, J. H. Ward treasurer, with the works in charge of Mr. Isaacson, assisted by Mr. Baker and Mr. Paul as now.

While there the whole crowd carefully inspected the big plant in its every detail, from seeing the rock quarried down to the prepared cement sacked ready for shipment and were more than elated. The big plant is at work on full time, night and day, and a demand for all the cement they can produce at fair market prices, showing a handsome income.

The men drove from Hays to Yocemento and all insisted that our city should "tote fair" and give them a direct road between the two towns, as they are helping to build up the town and adding to the taxable wealth of the county, as well as giving it a wide reputation abroad from the Pacific to the Atlantic. With that plant in the center of our county and the new mill and elevators here erected by Denver capital, our county is surely to be congratulated and no move of our citizens should be left undone to help both plants in every way possible.

One of the most substantial Christmas presents you can present to your wife is a sound Life Insurance policy. Fred Miller sells the best.

Attention.—Christmas presents.

Why not buy something that the whole family appreciates. SCHLYER & ARNHOLD have a large assortment of buggies and carriages, which will be sold at a bargain until the first of the year.

Come and see us before you buy. We can save you MONEY on all kinds of Spring work.

We also have a few more WAGONS which we want to clean out before the 1st of January. They will also be sold AT A BARGAIN.

Don't miss the above X'mas bargains. Schlyer & Arnhold.

Read the three Christmas stories; the interesting story; the two columns of State news; the leading editorials on schools and other good reading on the inside pages of your FREE PRESS this week and concede that it is the BEST paper in the county for your family to have during the new year.

Go to Spratt's Book Store for High Grade Candies. They keep the best at reasonable prices. 48-1f

The old-time familiar sound of the mill whistle at 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. again greeted our people Wednesday and since and is surely a welcome sound for it is one we can all depend upon and one he heard all over town and the surrounding country.

Fire! Fire! Fire!

How you dread the fearful sound! Well, you won't dread it half so much if you have your property insured by Fred Miller, who represents none but time tried and fire tested companies.

Attorney Coddling, last Sunday evening at the Lutheran church, talked plainly to an audience that crowded the building. He was blunt in his remarks, sent many "shafts" direct home and it is hoped may open the eyes of our citizens who have let things move along as they will. In the morning he spoke at Ellis on the same subject, "Law Enforcement."

District Clerk Stanton has figured out the cost of last October jury to be \$383.10 or an average of \$13.40 for each juror, while the costs earned by the county was \$50 outside the liquor cases. In the liquor and gambling cases the lowest amount the fines can be assessed at is \$4500, while they may be made, under the law, to reach to \$20,000. The amount received does not go to the county fund but to the school fund of the county.

Miss Daisy Monroe, a former Hays girl, seems to be enjoying herself in Topeka and when something is going on is always in it. The Saturday Journal says: "Speaking of the lion and the lamb; oil and water, and all that sort of thing, don't you know, the two rival sororities of Washburn came together this afternoon when the Sigma Delta Psi entertained the Betas at the home of Miss Daisy Monroe. The hatchet was buried for the afternoon and a lovely time was had."

The Luray Herald pays this nice compliment to our Frank Motz, on his article about the State University:

"O, that every county in Kansas had at least one student in each school like Frank Motz of Hays. In last week's Republican he gives a column report on the twelve fine boys and girls from Ellis county at the State University, where he is a student. Russell county has a fine delegation at Manhattan, Emporia and Lawrence, but no Frank Motz among them to give us a summary of the students, their standing, their work and aspirations."

I charge no more for fire policies than the agents of many less responsible companies ask for theirs, which may be good only a part of the time. 52-1f J. M. SCHAEFER

I. M. Yost spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Butler of Walker visited with Mrs. M. G. Kirkman this week.

If you wish a Holiday Present of any kind try Spratt's Book Store.

The K. U. Students are expected home this Saturday morning.

All kinds of Copyright and Gift books at Spratt's Book Store.

Miss Ida Clemmons proved up on her Saline valley homestead last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith left Monday night for an extended visit in the east.

Mrs. Frank Stout of Salina was here this week visiting her sisters and mother.

If you want a Piano, Organ, Accordion, or any other kind of musical instrument, try Spratt's Book Store.

The Windsor Hotel has had steam heat put all through their building, making it very fine.

Go to Spratt's Book Store and inquire how you may secure a good fountain pen FREE.

Hylas and Maud Butler of LaCrosse, formerly of Hays, visited with friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Earnestine Fields entertained a number of her friends Monday evening in honor of her birthday anniversary.

Ladies will find the handsomest Christmas presents at the lowest of prices at Harkness' Drug Store. Come see.

Miss Maud Dyer of eastern Colorado visited the fore part of the week with her brother, Lou Dyer, and family of this city.

Diedrich Bellman is arranging for a trip to California next week to visit relatives out there and accompany Mrs. Bellman home.

Frank Hoxley has sold his ranch farm in Hamilton to J. A. Keagy and bought the Abbott-Bishop farm in that neighborhood.

We notice O. A. Abbott, J. A. Keagy and Frank Hoxley, farmers of west Hamilton township, transacting business in town Tuesday.

Christmas trees & trimmings. We have a fine lot on hand at our Warehouse. Give us a call. 10-1f COX & SON.

Our Russian farmers are taking out lots of furniture these days to make their homes more comfortable. They are enjoying life on their ninety cent wheat.

Farmers, Don't bite at the proposition to plant an apple orchard on shares. Rooks county farmers got stung \$200. Order of our home men that you know.

The Prof. Matthew cottage on the Yost tract on Gospel Hill is up and ready for the plasterers. It will make a lovely home when finished and will overlook the whole city.

House for Rent.

A four roomed furnished house for rent. See FREESSE.

Fire Insurance and Life Insurance are absolutely necessary and the thoughtful, loving husband and father will not neglect to carry both. Fred Miller is the man that will serve you best in procuring them.

Henry Drake of the Yocemento section, accompanied by his daughter, returned from his visit in the east and like Ellis county better than ever. It's "the grandest climate on the earth."

The Wallace county paper tells us that the thousands of acres of school land is being settled upon by bona-fide settlers. That is good. The school land left in this county has been examined and found very rough, and not worth settling upon.

Patent range men are canvassing this county trying to sell some of them. Better let strangers alone and buy of our home hardware merchants whose guarantee you know is good, and if the range is not as recommended they must make it good. So beware how you buy of strangers who are here today and never heard of again.

On Monday of this week, upon complaint of W. H. Underhill and H. H. Bowen of Ellis, warrants were issued for six alleged gamblers. Four of them were arrested, the other two making their escape from the county. Preliminary examination before J. H. Downing was set down for Friday the 18th inst. The County Attorney and people are going to try and make Ellis a good place to live in, a safe place for a man to work, earn wages and support a family. It can't be so as long as there are toughs to capture the money from the "innocents." And right here in Hays some of the younger boys had better stop or they will have a chance to work on the stone pile.

Eye and Ear Surgeon.

Dr. M. Jay Brown, the Salina eye and ear specialist will fill his regular monthly days in Hays in January. Will be at the Tremont Hotel. WATCH for the DATE.

A light snow came this way during Thursday night.

"Dolly Varden" Chocolates at Harkness' 22-1f

Rev. Brown spent Sunday visiting with friends in Wakeeney.

Candies of the finest, for Christmas at Harkness Drug Store.

The U. S. Cement Co. of Yocemento held a Director's meeting here on Tuesday.

The finished work of the Lutheran Aid Society will be on sale at the home of Mrs. Gartland at any time.

The galvanized iron oil tanks have been taken out of the mill and cement ones are being built there.

Don't miss visiting Schultz Jewelry Store and see the beautiful cut glass for Christmas presents.

Be sure and read Schlyer & Arnhold's Christmas advertisement. Such presents are useful and substantial and are always appreciated.

Quite a number of our subscribers have very kindly remembered their printer this week by paying something on their subscriptions.

For your CHRISTMAS EVERGREENS, go to COX & SONS, at the elevator. They have a good supply of pretty-shaped trees for sale cheap.

Announcement cards have been sent out by Mr. and Mrs. McClelland at old Fort Hays, announcing the arrival of baby Annie Grace at their home Dec. 10th.

For servicable and handsome Christmas presents see what Harkness offers at his store. Prices low.

Postmaster Hobbs having resigned his position at Turville and moved away, Charlie Hoff has been re-appointed and the office moved to his house.

Don't miss coming in and let us send for the Kansas Farmer for you for 1909. It is now the VERY BEST farm paper for Western Kansas farmers, published.

The usual services at the Presbyterian church Sunday. You are invited. Christmas exercises of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Thursday evening the 24th at 7:30.

Splendid building lots from \$10.00 up in any part of City for sale by Fred Miller, the real estate and insurance broker, who saves you money.

Keep Your Pluck!

When you acknowledge you're down and out, you're licked. But so long as you swear you won't give in—That you'll hang-on and bang-on until you win. No matter how hard you were cuffed and kicked, No matter how sadly your faith was tricked—If you just remember what brought you low And keep away from the undertow, It's only a matter of holding tight Before you're back in the big world fight! But the man who pines and the man who whines, Who sulks away from the skirmish lines, Who hasn't the grit to swing and hit, And slugs his way, never counts a bit. He isn't worth bothering over a minute—He's out of the game and never was in it. A man who is really a man keeps his luck. So long as he keeps a good chest full of pluck.

If you wish a fine box of candy, the best is found at Spratt's Book Store.

Andrew Meier and Philip Jacobs have their new houses on North Chestnut street opposite the Court House well enclosed and will be a big improvement to our city.

Commencing Saturday Dec. 12th, a fountain pen will be given away with every purchase amounting to \$1.50 at Spratt's Book Store, this offer holds good till Dec. 25.

Yes or No.

Do you want to buy or sell real estate? If you list it with Fred Miller, the most active realtor that ever engaged in the business. If you wish to buy call on Fred Miller who will show the choicest bargains to be found in Ellis County. If not, file this item away in some convenient place for future reference. You may need it.

The Luray Herald tells of the whereabouts of some former Normal students: "Miss Jessie Bunker, who grew up in Russell county, north of Lucas, is a homesteader in Wallace county and is teaching school out there this winter near Sexton postoffice." "School started off in good shape last Monday morning with Chas. Wilson in charge. Miss Grace Hubbard has the intermediate. While very late in starting we had hope for a profitable short term."

Have You a Farm

for sale? We have customers for Ellis county land. Send on a description of your farm and lowest price and we believe we can find you a customer. Our charges are reasonable. Address: COX & STRAMANN, Jan. 1, Richmond, Kansas.

Examine the Local View Calendars for sale only at Spratt's Book Store.

Out-of-town students will all be home next week on their vacation of ten days.

The railroad company have their pile-driver engine and crew doing some work just west of town.

For the handsomest Jewelry for presents go to Schultz' Jewelry Store. Prices reasonable.

Carl Leiker is having sand hauled to his lots on East Normal avenue and will soon begin the erection of his new cottage.

"If it isn't an Eastman, it isn't a kodak." HARKNESS has kodaks and supplies. 21-1f

The two lots on East Second street, opposite the Bileman blacksmith shop, have been purchased by Mr. Bissling for his Auto and Piano shop building.

You can not make a more appropriate Christmas Present than a Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen for sale only at Spratt's Book Store.

C. W. Miller has received and handsomely mounted a big American eagle, a beautiful specimen of the bird. He has also mounted a bronze eagle for the "Club of Eagles" at Ellis.

Do the ladies want a fashion magazine and story book for the next year? Come in and let us send for McCall's for you. Only 50 cents. The best fashion magazine published.

Many are calling at this office and having us send for magazines for 1909, as Christmas presents to their friends. A kind of present that is a weekly or monthly acceptable gift all the year.

Farmers, do you want to buy a Christmas present that will be a pleasure for years? Get Binder & Dillon to put you up a windmill on your farm for house and stock use.

Peter Rasmussen and his father took an auto ride on Wednesday in Coover's auto to Jetmore, in Hodgeman county, to see the new ranch lately purchased by Pete. Coover took them the 90 miles in about four hours, reaching there for dinner.

I believe that insurance should be just as good as it is possible to make it and that it must be "good all the time." I carefully attend to any business entrusted to me. 52-1f J. M. SCHAEFER, Over Postoffice

Get some of the beautiful postals at Harkness' and send as a Christmas reminder to your friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Haddock of north Buckeye have moved to Plainville for the winter, having rented the farm to George Forster.

Examine the bargains in pictures and frames at Spratt's Book Store they have a large line to select from. 47-1f

Justus Bissling has finished the plans of his new home, on Gospel Hill, which shows an elegant seven roomed modern cottage. He will soon begin work on it.

A freight train, caught here after being out sixteen hours, by law had to lay over at our town Sunday for eight hours and then pulled west in the afternoon.

Any insurance policy will do if you have no loss, but none at all is just as good. We pay losses without delay and without discount. 52-1f J. M. SCHAEFER.

County Attorney Shutts has no doubt joined the "Get-Rich-Quick" crowd. With thirteen counts on one Staab, twelve counts on Galliger and thirteen counts on the other Staab, thirty-eight counts in all at \$25 each or \$950 coming in, he ought to feel good this Christmas. The costs must be paid before they can be paroled, and if not paid the buildings where the business has been carried on become responsible for these costs.

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Velvet Collars.

Your Overcoat will be good for another season if you get a new collar put on.

If you want a New Suit or Overcoat

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39th District Newspapers.

Judge Runnenthal has this interesting newspaper gossip in the last Luray Herald, which tells about all the papers in this judicial district:

"There are now nineteen newspapers in this judicial district, not including the high school bugler at Russell and the Western Normal Leader at Hays. The mutations have not been great in the past two years. The Wallace Co. Independent, a democratic organ, started and ran a very brief course; the same is true of McAfee's paper at Lucas. The only other new paper is the Lucas Independent which is a month old. No other changes have occurred in Wallace county. The Logan County News at Winona changed ownership and quite recently. A. L. Clarke retired as editor and was succeeded by Postal & Son. The Grove County Advocate was sold by W. H. Tuttle to Wm. Field and by the latter removed from Grainfield to Quinter. Late the Record at Grinnell has been sold to Carroll & Sipher by E. E. Bryan who goes to Seattle, Washington. In Trem county the Independent at Wakeeney was transferred to others by H. S. Baker and thereafter made several changes. Rex Clemmons was editor for a while, and recently Fred T. Naylor has become owner and editor. The Ellis Review-Headlight after twenty years or more in charge of F. J. Brettle was sold to W. H. Snyder. The News at Hays passed to a publishing company, having been sold by Mulroy Bros. The Free Press was handled quite a while by John Freese, son of the illustrious founder, Harry Freese, but the latter has resumed management and the son is in college. At Russell, J. W. Morphy has become owner instead of lessor of the Reformer. The Waldo New Era has just been leased to Guy Gamber, brother of the former publisher R. H. Gamber. The Lucas Independent was started this fall by Barr & Deeble. The other nine papers wag on as they have for years, namely: Western Times, Russell Springs Leader, Oakley Graphic, Grove County Republican-Gazette, Western World, Republican (Hays), Record (Russell), Luray Herald and Lucas Sentinel. Their influence jointly and severally on the 35,000 people of the district is far more than the unthinking imagine. Not the least of their good work is furnishing the several communities with more interesting topics of interest and conversation, than ordinary gossip affords."

Dolly Varden Chocolates at Harkness' .10, .35 and .65. 22-1f

H. W. Oshant made a business trip to Kansas City this week.

Books of all kinds suitable for Xmas at Harkness' store.

Ira Burke has sold his farm out north of Yocemento to eastern parties.

Carl Leiker is having a shed built back of his warehouse to shelter his farm implements and wagons.

With wheat up to 90 cents and good times our stores are doing a larger Christmas business than ever.

More Post Cards at Spratt's Book Store than all other stores in Hays combined. Go there for your selection.

Miss Betty Penny of Sedgwick county was here this week and she is now enjoying life on her Saline valley homestead.

The Agricultural College closed this Friday and the students of Hays will be home for the holidays. School re-opens January 4th next.

Enjoy Christmas all the year by adding to your home one of the Phonographs at the Schultz' Store. Always makes home attractive.

J. B. Cave, our baker, has sold his bakery and restaurant to eastern parties. Our citizens regret to see him do so, as he has kept a nice place.

Two U. S. Internal Revenue men were here this week making the liquor sellers take out their Government license or visit Topeka. They paid up.

Another brick building is to be put up in January. The Milling Company will erect a brick building 25 by 70 feet on their lot on North Main street opposite the mill.

Residence properties splendid values. Twenty of them can be had at bargain-counter figures from Fred Miller, the square-deal real estate and insurance man.

Lutheran Church.

C. F. WIEST, Pastor.

10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Public Worship. Subject: "Darkness and Dawn."

Special Christmas Service. 6:30 p. m. C. E. Society. Topic: "Why was the King born?" (Christmas meeting.)

7:30 p. m. Public Worship. Subject: "Prince and Pauper."

Special Christmas Service. 7:30 p. m. Wed. Bible Training Class and Prayer Meeting. Lesson 8. Old Testament History by Periods.

You are cordially invited to these services.

MUCH FOR LITTLE

Colorado Potatoes	per bushel	80c
Onions	per peck	25c
Cabbage	per pound	2 1-4c
Lindsborg Flour	per sack	\$1.20
Stock Food, large pail		1.50

PURE APPLE CIDER, 40c per Gallon.

QUALITY THE VERY BEST.

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Painting, Paper-hanging

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First class work guaranteed in every respect.

We have had 25 years experience in all classes of this work of Painting, papering and sign-painting.

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